

4 Unlocked Cars Entered Overnight

Nothing taken from 3 of them; coins taken from 1

At about 1:00 a.m. today (Friday, January 9, 2015), the police received a call from a person who saw a suspicious man pulling on car door handles in the area of Primrose Street and Connecticut Avenue. The man was described as a black male, about 6' tall, wearing camouflage pants and carrying a green tote bag. Two Village police officers responded and arrived on the scene within two minutes of the call. The man was not located, but the officers canvassed the neighborhood and found three unlocked cars that appeared to have been entered. One of the cars was in the unit block of Primrose Street, and the other two were in the unit block of Oxford Street. All three cars had been parked on the street.

Officers contacted the owners of the cars who verified that their cars had been entered, but nothing was stolen from any of them.

At 9:00 a.m. today, a resident from W. Lenox Street (the section between Laurel Parkway and Magnolia Parkway) reported that his unlocked car had been parked in the driveway and it, too, had been entered. Approximately \$5 in change was stolen.

The perpetrator in this story is our typical thief: he simply walked quietly through the neighborhood pulling on car door handles. If the car was locked, he moved on; if it was unlocked, he entered it in search of something of value.

Please, please lock your car EVERY time you park. Deny these thieves the opportunity to steal. If we do that consistently, they will not come to the Village as frequently.